



PROCLAMATION

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

- WHEREAS:** Each April, our country comes together to celebrate the passing of the Fair Housing Act, which was enacted to eliminate housing discrimination and create equal opportunity in every community regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability; and
- WHEREAS:** Fair housing means that every community can be a place of opportunity where people can enjoy and live in diverse, inclusive, growing, accessible neighborhoods; and
- WHEREAS:** The COVID-19 pandemic, inflation and other national challenges have affected almost every aspect of people’s lives, including the accessibility, availability, and affordability of fair housing in Duval County; and
- WHEREAS:** The Jacksonville Human Rights Commission, in partnership with the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD), is committed to affirmatively furthering fair housing by ensuring the protection of fair housing rights and opportunities for all people in Duval County. These efforts are supported by dedicated local partners, including Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc. (JALA) and the Jacksonville Housing Authority (JHA); and
- WHEREAS:** The City of Jacksonville wishes to honor and recognize the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission and JALA for its enforcement of the City’s Fair Housing Ordinance and its community outreach efforts to inform citizens of their rights under the law through programs like the annual Fair Housing Expo; and
- WHEREAS:** This year’s theme, “The American Dream: Fair and Affordable Housing,” will educate the public on their right to fair housing, how the Fair Housing Act can protect their access to fair and affordable housing, and to continue advocating for fair housing for all.

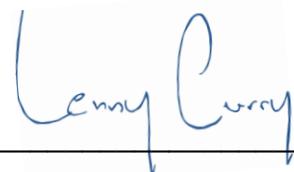
NOW, THEREFORE, I, LENNY CURRY, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 2023 as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in Jacksonville and encourage all citizens to raise awareness of the need for fair housing and recognize the work being done to promote fair housing throughout Jacksonville.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 14th Day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lenny Curry".

MAYOR